

NEWPORT NEWS.

Vote on Bond Issues—Big Democratic Rally.

Local Counterfeiter William Richards has Confessed—Vote Very Light on the Bond Issues—Architect Marye's Plans for Hospital Adopted—Cable Laid Across York River.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Newport News, July 15.—A big Democratic ratification meeting was held at the rooms of the American Democratic Club last night. All of the speeches touched on the necessity of filling all the city offices with Democrats. Mr. F. M. Watson, the Democratic chairman, and his committee, came in for much praise.

COUNTERFEITER CONFESSED.

Agent Foster, of the secret service bureau of Washington, with the assistance of Sergeant Reynolds, yesterday extracted a full confession from William Richards, arrested for playing counterfeit nickels into slot machines.

VOTE ON BOND ISSUES.

The vote on the question of issuing \$50,000 bonds for two new school houses, \$100,000 for two new engine houses, and \$10,000 for a garbage plant, resulted yesterday as follows:

FREEHOLD VOTE.

Fire and garbage, 116 for, 36 against. Schools, 118 for, 34 against.

LEGAL VOTE.

Fire and garbage, 263 for, 17 against. Schools, 256 for, 21 against.

HOSPITAL PLANS ADOPTED.

The Newport News General Hospital Association adopted the plans submitted by Architect Marye for the hospital to be built on the site given by the Old Dominion Land Company.

LINE COMPLETED.

The people of York, Warwick, Gloucester, Mathews and Kent counties can now talk with the outside world through Newport News. The cable has been laid across York River, and the telephone lines of the Chesapeake and Tidewater Companies completed.

TWO WON'T CLOSE.

At the Retail Clerks' Union Wednesday night it was reported that all of the merchants visited had agreed to close their stores at 7 p. m., except two firms.

PRELIMINARY TRIALS.

The battleship Kentucky put to sea again yesterday morning to test her batteries, engines and machinery.

These trials are preliminary to the final official trials. The Kentucky will return to Old Point in a few days. It is not believed she will join the North Atlantic Squadron under several weeks.

LINER NEW YORK HERE.

The American liner New York, which recently lost a propeller and had a shaft damaged in collision with some submerged object at sea, arrived here from New York yesterday morning and proceeded to the shipyard, where she tied up at one of the piers. Probably tomorrow the big steamship will be placed in drydock and then the work of repairing the old shaft and putting in the new shaft and a new propeller will begin.

HAMPTON.

CASE OF A. W. KEMPTON THROWN OUT ON TECHNICALITY.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Hampton, Va., June 15.—The case of A. W. Kempton, the old soldier indicted for attempting to kill Mr. Edward Kempton, came up in the County Court yesterday, and was thrown out of court for technical reasons. The name of the victim was wrong in the indictment.

DEATH FROM LIVE WIRE.

Hampton, Va., June 15.—Mr. Earl L. Brown was killed this morning about 9 o'clock by a live electric wire at the National Soldiers' Home. Mr. Brown was engaged in superintending some electrical work for the Newport News Electric Light Company.

The deceased was well-known in Hampton, his native place. He was 22 years old, and the son of the late Mr. L. Brown, of Hampton, and grandson of the late Captain John H. Brown, of Hampton.

Many Norfolk friends and relatives will mourn the young man's untimely death. He was a nephew of Mrs. E. E. Guy, rs. J. R. Guy and Mrs. H. C. Dodson, of Norfolk. His taking away is all the more sad from the fact that he was the support of his widowed mother.

The funeral will take place in Hampton on Sunday afternoon.

HAMPTON GETS CONTRACT.

The contract for the erection of the new knitting mill in Williamsburg was awarded yesterday to J. H. Brinson, of this place. The plans were recently accepted from S. E. Connell, the Newport News architect. There was quite a number of bidders for the contract.

REDUCED.

The postoffice at Fortress Monroe is relegated from second to third class, with a decrease in salary of \$200.

NOTES.

Mr. George Wray Booker, who is engaged in railroad work in West Virginia, reached Hampton yesterday. Mr. Booker left West Virginia Monday and made

the trip of 370 miles on horseback. He will remain here several days endeavoring to secure a large force of workmen to accompany him back. Mr. Robert I. Mason, the well-known Hampton contractor, has charge of the railway work. The work which is being done will require two years for completion, and Mr. Booker is looking for men who will accept positions at fair salaries.

Miss Booker, who has been attending college in Maryland, is expected to reach Old Point this morning. Miss Booker graduated this year with high honors.

Mrs. Ruby Tignor, an aged lady residing on Holt street, fell down a flight of stairs at her home yesterday evening and sustained very painful injuries.

PETERSBURG.

SUIT IN HUSTINGS COURT AGAINST NEW YORK COMPANY.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Petersburg, Va., June 15th.—Suit was brought in the Hustings Court today by W. P. Chapman against the James P. McDonald Construction Company of New York for \$19,380 with interest from the 15th day of April, 1899, till paid, being alleged by plaintiff to be due him by defendant for work done on the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina railroad.

Mr. Robert Dunn Budd and Miss Marie Tapp Steele were married at the bride's home, on Jefferson street, at noon yesterday.

The wedding was a quiet one on account of the recent death of Mr. Budd's mother. Only the immediate members of the two families were present.

The groom is a son of the late Judge Budd of this city. He is vice-president of the firm of Budd & Co., vice-president of the Mitchell Manufacturing Company, and secretary and treasurer of the Southern Engraving Company, of Petersburg. The bride is a daughter of the late Alexander Steele, of the firm of Tapp & Steele, founders.

The couple will make an extended wedding journey.

Messrs. W. B. McIlwaine and Alexander Hamilton are mentioned for delegates from Petersburg to the Constitutional Convention.

Mr. Hugh Britton, who committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart yesterday morning, was 27 years of age. He was manager at W. L. Zimmer & Company's tobacco factory. He went to his work yesterday morning and returned to breakfast about 8 o'clock as usual. He had been living in the house of Captain P. C. May for more than ten years. He seemed to be unusually bright and cheerful.

Mr. Britton left orders to be attended to at the factory while he was away. He called Mr. W. L. Zimmer, Jr.'s, attention to some business, but told him not to attend to it until his return.

Mr. Britton was engaged to be married to a young school girl in Hampton, and the ceremony was to have been performed on the 26th of this month.

He was a son of the late Stephen Britton who committed suicide in this city about ten years ago by shooting himself through the heart in a manner similar to that in which his son killed himself.

A letter came to Britton from his sweetheart a few hours after he had killed himself, and was returned to her unopened.

AT BETHANY.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK AT BETHANY COLLEGE, WEST VA.

The exercises of commencement week, Bethany College, West Virginia, begin on June 17th, and continue until the 21st.

The program for the week and the class roll follow:

Dr. H. H. H. sermon, Burris A. Jenkins, LL. D., Sunday, 11 a. m.

Annual address to Y. M. C. A. Sunday evening.

Entertainment by Department of Education Monday evening.

Field Day, Tuesday morning and afternoon.

Closing exercises of Neotrophian Literary Society, Tuesday evening.

Class Day Exercises, Wednesday, 3 p. m.

Concert by Department of Music, Wednesday evening.

Commencement Exercises, Thursday, 10 a. m.

Closing Exercises of American Literary Society, Thursday evening.

CLASS ROLL.

William Mahaffey, Long, West Virginia; Virginia V. Vogel, Pennsylvania; Fred Marsh Gordon, Ohio; Drusilla S. Johnson, Ohio; Percy Bayard Cochran, Pennsylvania; Anna Estella Swaney, Pennsylvania; Frederick Lemuel Stettinmeyer, Maryland; Grace Pennington Cooper, Pennsylvania; Guy Milton Mason, Virginia; Mary Louise Colborn, Pennsylvania; Jesse Elmore Martin, Indiana.

POST GRADUATES.

William Loren Fisher, Missouri; Ida Harden Taylor, West Virginia; Thomas James White, West Virginia; Wellington P. S. Murray, Prince Edward Island; Anna Belle Woolery, West Virginia; James Levi Deming, Connecticut; Carrie Brownlee Mathews, West Virginia.

COURTLAND.

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Courtland, Va., June 15.—At a stated communication of Courtland Lodge No. 85, A. F. & A. M., held Wednesday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing twelve months: John W. Seabrell, Jr., W. M.; Edward W. Crichton, S. W.; Richard M. Baeten, J. W.; R. Frank Barkham, Treasurer; Charles H. Seabrell, Secretary; R. E. Whitehead, S. D.; B. W. Everett, J. D. The members present were highly entertained by a life size picture of D. D. G. M. James E. Seabrell, which he presented to the lodge. Judge J. B. Prince, on behalf of the lodge, in a short but eloquent address, accepted the gift.

Miss Mary Seabrell, who had been visiting relatives in Portsmouth, returned home yesterday.

Rev. Mr. Vest, rector of the Episcopal Church at Lawrenceville, filled the pulpit in St. Luke's R. E. Church here for the Rev. Mr. Walker last Sunday morning.

Col. K. R. Griffin, a former citizen of this county, but now of Portsmouth, Va., is in our town to-day for the first time in several years. His old friends were glad to see him.

That Alleged Assault.

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Richmond, Va., June 15.—Detective Baldwin, who was employed to investigate an alleged sensational assault on two young ladies in Botetourt, said in Roanoke to-night that he thought it was an accident, and that the circumstances did not warrant belief that there was any assault.

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| | Won. | Lost. | Pr. Ct. |
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| Hampton | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Newport News | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Norfolk | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Portsmouth | 1 | 1 | .500 |

GAMES YESTERDAY.

Norfolk, 4; Portsmouth, 2.
Newport News, 5; Hampton, 4.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO-DAY.

Norfolk at Portsmouth.
Hampton at Newport News.

NORFOLK WON.

About 600 spectators saw the "Phenoms" take the second game of the series from the Portsmouth aggregation by the close score of 4 to 2. The game